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APPLICANT: Hinuma et al.  
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Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
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Sir:

**RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS**

Applicants received a Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application, Filed Under 37 CFR 1.53(b), Filing Date Granted, dated August 8, 2000 for the above-identified application.

Applicant's believe the Notice to File Missing Parts was mailed in error. Applicant's filed the above-identified divisional application on May 23, 2000, claiming priority to parent application U.S.S.N. 08/776,971, filed on February 7, 1997. Applicant's also filed on the filing date, a Preliminary Amendment, Sequence Listing (transfer) and a copy of the Declaration and Power of Attorney form filed in the parent application.

Early consideration and allowance of the application are earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

*Filing Date Granted*

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.  
*A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.*
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- **The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.**

*A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the reply.*

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